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(b) whether these two gentlemen who were not Mappillas were appointed in Mappilla ranges or elsewhere?

A.—(a) & (b) During the years 1923 and 1925 there were no suitable vacancies in non-Muhammadian ranges for which M.R.Ry. N. Velan could be appointed. The two non-Mappilla officers referred to were appointed in short vacancies as they were senior to M.R.Ry. N. Velan. The latter has since been appointed as a Deputy Inspector, junior grade.

Appointment of Sub-Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

* 2299 Q.—Diwan Bahadur P. C. ETHIRAJULU NAYUDU: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that a new cadre of Sub-Deputy Inspectors has been created by him and if so, what is the strength of the cadre and how many are being recruited during the current year;

(b) whether he has fixed any qualifications of the candidates to be recruited or promoted;

(c) whether the department has been following the policy and the instructions contained in G.O. No. 658 of 1922 for adequate representation of unrepresented communities in the educational service both in the subordinate and in the superior services;

(d) whether the said Government Order is being applied in the case of recruitment of Sub-Deputy Inspectors and whether the list of appointments will be placed on the table of the House;

(e) whether the secondary trained headmasters of elementary training schools are taken into the Sub-Deputy Inspectors cadre;

(f) whether the policy enunciated by the Government is that the officers of Government shall be appointed or posted to the language area to which they belong; and

(g) whether such arrangements have been followed in superior and subordinate educational service?

A.—(a) The Government have sanctioned the creation of a new agency of junior grade of Deputy Inspectors. The number of officers in the cadre is 71, all of whom will be recruited during the current year.

(b) No qualification has been prescribed by Government. It is understood that the Director of Public Instruction has taken as the minimum qualification for appointment as Junior Deputy Inspectors the possession of a secondary grade trained teachers' certificate.

(c) The instructions contained in G.O. No. 658, Public, dated 15th August 1922, are borne in mind when making appointments.

(d) The Government Order is being applied in the case of recruitment of Junior Deputy Inspectors. The Government consider

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that no useful purpose will be served by placing on the table the list of appointments made. The statement below shows the communities to which the officers so far appointed belong :—

	Reeruted.	Promoted.	Total.
Brahman	3	30	33
Non-Brahman Hindu ...	6	10	16
Christian	1	4	5
Muhammadan	4	4
Depressed classes	2	2
	10	50	60

(e) There are no secondary trained headmasters of elementary training schools. The secondary trained assistants, however, in such schools are being appointed as junior grade Deputy Inspectors when considered fit.

(f) Yes.

(g) Yes; as far as possible.

Excise.

Opening of distilleries in South Kanara.

*2300 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government have received representations from any persons in South Kanara requesting that distilleries for the production of liquor may be allowed to be opened in South Kanara; and

(b) what action Government have taken or propose to take on them?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) The Government do not propose to take any action on the petition as the petitioners have not approached the local or controlling authority in the first instance as required by the Memorial Rules.

Administration Reports.

Administration reports under the hon. the Minister for Development.

*2301 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to specify—

(a) the various reports of the administration of the departments under his control published by Government;

(b) in which months the several reports for the years 1921–22, 1922–23, 1924–25, or for 1922, 1923 and 1924 (according to the financial or calendar year) were published;

(c) what the causes there were for the delay, if any of them were published more than six months after the year of report;

(d) whether attempts have been made to publish the several reports for the previous year at least a month before the budget estimates are placed before the Council; and